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BEFORE THE  
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In the Matter of:

New Hampton, Mo  
Post Office State64471  
ZIP CodePOSTAL REGULATORY  
COMMISSION  
Docket No. 42012-13  
THE SECRETARYDarcot & Chris Hofgren, Petitioner(s)  
Glenda Layham

## PARTICIPANT STATEMENT

1. Petitioner(s) are appealing the Postal Service's Final Determination concerning the New Hampton post office. The Final Determination was posted Sept 28, 2011.  
(date)

2. In accordance with applicable law, 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)(5), the Petitioner(s) request the Postal Regulatory Commission to review the Postal Service's determination on the basis of the record before the Postal Service in the making of the determination.

3. Petitioners: Please set out below the reasons why you believe the Postal Service's Final Determination should be reversed and returned to the Postal Service for further consideration. (See pages of the Instructions for an outline of the kinds of reasons the law requires us to consider.) Please be as specific as possible. Please continue on additional paper if you need more space and attach the additional paper(s) to this form.

There are several reasons why the New Hampton, Mo  
Post Office should not be closed. The first reason is  
the Postal Service would only save about 3% in closing  
of this Post Office. The Postal Service has the building  
lease through 2013, the utilities does not cost much and  
since there is only a non career employee (Christine) there  
the cost of running the New Hampton Post Office can not  
cost that much and 3% can not be that much. The

Second reason is the effect on the employees. Our mail carrier, Randy, his work load would increase and would need more time. Christine our Postal worker in the office is like the watch person living on farms many of the people who get mail from this Post Office are isolated, if someone would have a problem Randy & Christine would know. This area is not the big cities, neighbors in this area could be no closer than several miles. Another reason is this Post Office revenue generating would not be much at best, because there is only around 8,000 people in the county. At one last reason is if the Post Office is closed, the closest Post Office is 9 miles away. One of them is another county. The people in this community has a right to our local Post Office. We should not have to travel to other cities to get our stamps and other services. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

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